Mark Mathews Biography

Mark Mathews grew up in the Kennesaw, Georgia community. He attended Due West Elementary, Awtrey Middle, and North Cobb High Schools.

He began his community involvement in 1987 when he became the president of the Kennesaw Springs Homeowners Association, where he served until 1996. Concurrently, in 1993, he served on the initial boards of the Kennesaw Downtown Development Authority as well as the Kennesaw Development Authority.

In 1996, he was elected to the Kennesaw City Council and served on the Council for 12 years. In 2008, he was sworn in as Mayor of Kennesaw, with a term of office ending in December of 2011.

Mark actively pursues continuing education in municipal management and leadership as well as additional community service. He earned a Certificate of Excellence from the Harold F. Holtz Municipal Training Institute and completed training through the Atlanta Regional Commission's Regional Leadership Institute. He is involved with the Kennesaw Business Association and Cobb Chamber of Commerce Chairman's Club and Honorary Commanders Class of 2009 and serves on the Kennesaw State University Citizen Advisory Board and recently appointed to the Atlanta Regional Commission as a Board Member.

In addition to his civic responsibilities, Mark is an experienced businessman. From 1989-2000, he was the Vice President of Mathews Carpet Company, Inc., a long time family-owned flooring business located in Marietta. In 2001, he became President of Mathews Abbey Flooring after purchasing the business from his father, a position he held until March of 2009. He is currently employed as the Manager of Government Affairs for MetroAtlanta Ambulance Service in Marietta, where his responsibilities include building relationships with elected and non-elected officials while keeping officials informed on EMS related issues.

Mark and Betsy, his wife of 22 years, have a son, Nick, and a daughter, Emily. He is an active member of Kennesaw United Methodist Church and resides in Kennesaw's Legacy Park subdivision. He is a member of Pinetree Country Club where he enjoys socializing and the occasional round of golf.

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